

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY

November 2012 – Week 3

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TITLE: BUGLE BOY

NOVEMBER 1918 AND A TEXAN BLOWS HIS HORN FOR PEACE.

THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY, BROUGHT TO YOU BY THIS STATION AND THE SAVE TEXAS HISTORY PROGRAM OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

NOVEMBER 11, 1918. COMPEIGNE, FRANCE. AFTER FOUR LONG YEARS, THE GREAT WAR IS ENDING. AT THE ELEVENTH HOUR, GENERAL “BLACKJACK” PERSHING ORDERS HIS BUGLER TO PLAY “TAPS” TO SIGNAL THE WAR IS OVER.

THE BUGLER IS HARTLEY “HOT LIPS” EDWARDS, FROM ITALY, TEXAS. RAISING HIS BATTERED BUGLE, EDWARDS BLOWS AN END TO WORLD WAR I.

HE WOULD REPEAT THE TASK AT VICTORY CELEBRATIONS IN PARIS AND AT HOME. IN 1956, HE RETURNED TO FRANCE AND BUGLED “TAPS” FOR GENERAL DE GAULLE.

“HOT LIPS” FINALLY DONATED THE BEAT-UP HORN TO THE SMITHSONIAN IN 1966. SAYING “OLD BUGLERS NEVER DIE, THEY JUST BLOW AWAY,” EDWARDS DIED IN 1978.

A TEXAN SOUNDED HIS BUGLE FOR PEACE 94 YEARS AGO, THIS WEEK IN TEXAS HISTORY.

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